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SUBJECT: SECTION 301 PROCEEDING -- CONSUMER ELECTRICAL  
PRODUCTS EXPORTED TO REPUBLIC OF CHINA

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1. OFFICE OF THE SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE FOR TRADE  
PUBLISHED IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER OF APRIL 13, 1976, A  
NOTICE OF COMPLAINT FROM CHARLES C. REHFELDT, EXECUTIVE  
VICE PRESIDENT OF LAI FU TRADING COMPANY, LTD., ALLEGING  
UNFAIR TRADE PRACTICES BY THE REPUBLIC OF CHINA, IN THE  
FORM OF CONFISCATORY TARIFF LEVELS ON IMPORTS OF MAJOR  
HOUSEHOLD APPLIANCES. THE COMPLAINANT IS AN IMPORTER/  
DISTRIBUTOR OF USA-MADE CONSUMER ELECTRICAL APPLIANCES.  
THE COMPLAINT ALLEGES THAT THE RECENT INCREASE OF THE  
TARIFF ON COLOR TELEVISIONS FROM 33 PERCENT TO 60 PERCENT  
AND THE INCREASE IN THE TARIFF RATES FROM 46 PERCENT TO  
60 PERCENT ON MAJOR APPLIANCES AND HOUSEHOLD APPLIANCES  
CLASSIFIED AS QUOTE LUXURY ITEMS UNQUOTE HAS LED TO TARIFFS  
AT A QUOTE NOW CONFISCATORY LEVEL UNQUOTE WHICH PREVENT A  
NORMAL IMPORTATION OF USA-MADE TELEVISION SETS AND  
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APPLIANCES AND IS CONTRARY TO THE PRESIDENTIAL REQUISITE

FOR GSP TREATMENT OUTLINED IN POINT FOUR OF HIS NOVEMBER

11, 1975, SPEECH TO CONGRESS.

2. THE COMPLAINANT HAS REQUESTED HEARINGS WHICH WILL BE HELD AT 10 A.M., TUESDAY, MAY 18, 1976, AT THE OFFICE OF THE SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE FOR TRADE NEGOTIATIONS, 1800 G STREET, NW, WASHINGTON, D.C. 20520 (ROOM 730). REQUESTS TO PRESENT ORAL TESTIMONY AND ACCOMPANYING BRIEFS MUST BE RECEIVED BY MAY 11, 1976, AT STR.

3. THE TEXT OF THE FEDERAL REGISTER NOTICE IS BEING SENT BY POUCH. ROBINSON

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